GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:152
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Misuse of Funds
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds allocated for the Ministry are being reportedly misutilised;

(b) if not, whether some official of the Ministry used helicopter along with his family members to review the works in tribal areas in Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Rajasthan using funds of the Ministry whereas he had carried out these tours in his personal capacity;

(c) if so, the reaction of the government in this regard; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard along with the outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JASWANTSINH BHABHOR)

(a) No Madam.

(b) No official of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs had travelled to J&K, HP and Rajasthan for reviewing the work in the tribal areas of these States in his personal capacity. Dr. Shyam Aggarwal, then Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs had undertaken tour to the States as follows:-
1.6.2016 to 6.6.2016 J&K
22.6.2016 to 29.6.2016 HP
3.7.2016 to 5.7.2016 J&K
18.7.2016 to 21.7.2016 Rajasthan
20.8.2016 to 24.8.2016 Rajasthan
14.10.2016 to 16.10.2016 Rajasthan
24.11.2016 to 26.11.2016 Rajasthan

TA was given to the official as per rules for carrying out these tours. State had provided helicopter as these tours were official and no funds of the Ministry were used.

(c) & (d) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

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